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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH FONMIN ESENBEL

REF: JERUSALEM 0257

- 1. I DELIVERED SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO ESENBEL MORNING FEBRUARY 14 ALONG WITH COMMENTS SUGGESTED PARA THREE REFTEL. I ALSO GAVE HIM A COPY OF PRESIDENT FORD'S COMMENTS REGARDING TURKEY IN HIS FEBRUARY 13TH NEW YORK SPEECH.
- 2. COMMENTING ON YESTERDAY'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF A TURKISH FEDERATED STATE ESENBEL SAID THAT THIS WAS "ONLY AN INTERNAL ARRANGEMENT FOR TURKISH CYPRIOTS IN CYPRUS, DESIGNED TO GIVE A CLEARER LEGAL BASIS FOR THE SITUATION WHICH ALREADY EXISTS." IT IS NOT REPEAT NOT, HE SAID, AN ACTION WHICH REQUIRES OR INVOLVES INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION. HE THEN ADDED THAT "IT IS NOT RPT NOT IN THE MIND OF ANKARA OR THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS TO PROMOTE PARTITION OR ENOSIS."
- 3. I THANKED HIM FOR THESE ASSURANCES, BUT EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE EFFECTS OF ANY UNILATERAL ACTION BY EITHER SIDE AT THIS TIME, ESENBEL RESPONDED THAT THE TURKS HAD NEVER EXPECTED TO DISCUSS WITH THE GREEKS THE INTERNAL ARRANGEMENTS OF THE TURKISH AUTONOMOUS AREA. WHAT HAS TO BE DISCONFIDENTIAL

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CUSSED WITH THE GREEKS, HE SAID, WERE THE CENTRAL GOVERN-

MENT'S AUTHORITY AND OTHER COMMON ACTIVITIES WHICH DO NOT RELATE TO INTERNAL ARRANGEMENTS WITHIN EITHER THE TURKISH OR GREEK AREAS.

4. ESENBEL CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT THERE WAS NO REASON NOT TO GO ON THE DENKTASH-CLERIDES TALKS AND THAT DENKTASH WAS PREPARED TO CONTINUE.

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